First Congregational
United Church of Christ

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An open and affirming community committed to peace and justice

November 27, 2022
10:00 am

“Hope Vitamins”
First Sunday in Advent

No matter who you are or where you are on life’s journey, You are welcome here!

WORSHIP ON ZOOM -- Zoom opens at 9:30 am Sunday morning.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/7643282234

Meeting ID: 764 328 2234
Passcode: Ypsi1882
To join by phone, dial the number, 1-312-626-6799

- Welcome to Ypsilanti First Congregational UCC's Hybrid Worship Service
- Hymns are included in the worship bulletin. A separate hymnal is not needed.
- If you are joining worship for the first-time on Zoom, please add your name and email to the chat so the Zoomie Greeter can introduce you.
- Thank you for choosing to worship with us today!

OPEN AND AFFIRMING COVENANT OF
First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti

First Congregational United Church of Christ, Ypsilanti celebrates everyone, including people of all ages, races, cultures, sexual orientations, gender identifies and expressions, family configurations, economic circumstances, physical, cognitive or emotional abilities, education or spiritual or religious traditions. All are welcome to participate fully in the life, leadership, ministry, and missions of this church as we seek to grow together in a safe, nurturing community of faith. We strive to demonstrate in all ways that "NO MATTER WHO YOU ARE OR WHERE YOU ARE ON LIFE'S JOURNEY, YOU ARE WELCOME HERE!"

PREPARING FOR WORSHIP

PRELUDE *Start Zoom Recoding to Cloud **VISHNU SRINIVAS**

"Now Thank We All Our God
By Johnann Cruger, Arr Cindy Berry

RINGING THE BELL **MARTY KLEINO**

WELCOME **TAD WYSOR**

- A warm welcome to all, including first-time visitors.
- As stated in our Open and Affirming Covenant (previous page), all persons are welcome in this community of faith.

ANNOUNCEMENTS **TAD WYSOR**

- **COMMUNITY SHARING OF OTHER ANNOUNCMENTS:**
  - Tad Wysor is Worship Leader.
  - Greeters are Ivan Harner (Roomie), Jeanette Sherrill (Zoomie) and they will introduce folks participating in worship.
  - Please share your announcements so everyone can learn what is happening in our beloved ministry community.
  - Please submit written announcements to Margaret Harner, Worship Coordinator, margaretsharner@gmail.com, by midnight on Tuesday.

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GATHERING TO WORSHIP

GATHERING HYMN *Microphone muted **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Longing for Light", v.1 & Refrain
Bernadette Farrell

CALL TO WORSHIP *Responsive **TAD WYSOR**

Leader: I will hope.

People: I will hope.

Leader: We will hope.

People: We will hope.

Leader: God is here.

People: God is here.

Leader: God is hope.

People: God is hope.

All: Let us hope in God, who is doing a new thing, right here, right now. Amen.

LIGHTING THE ADVENT CANDLE OF HOPE **KIKI FUGATE**

Leader: Here we are together, not alone. We join with the cloud of witnesses here, there, elsewhere, and everywhere. On this first Sunday in Advent, we will dream and imagine a different future, a rising-up and flourishing one. We are witnesses to hope. (*The first candle is lit.)*

People: God, lighten our hearts with an enlarged imagination to dream new possibilities; to imagine a world where transformation will happen, where creation is mended and restored, and where exiles and strangers find a home. Become in our lives the way to what we need, to what we can become, and to what we can do.

HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"Keep Awake, Be Always Ready"
NCH 112

LISTENING FOR GOD

FIRST READING **Isaiah 2:1-5** **TAD WYSOR**

SECOND READING **Matthew 24:36-44** **CHAPLAIN DAN**

HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**

"There's a Voice in the Wilderness"
NCH 120

MORNING MESSAGE **"Hope Vitamins"** **CHAPLAIN DAN**

CONVERSING WITH THE HOLY ONE

PRAYERS OF THE PEOPLE *Pause Zoom recording

*Zoomies: Please turn on your microphone

You are invited to share your joys and petitions for prayer.
Please unmute your microphone to share a joy or make a prayer of petition.
At the end of each joy or petition, please say **"God in your mercy"**
We will respond (with microphones muted) **"Hear our prayers"**

PASTORAL PRAYER *Restart Zoom recording **CHAPLAIN DAN**

DISCIPLES' PRAYER *Unison with Microphone muted **CHAPLAIN DAN**

We seek the mighty God in the most unlikely places
as a child in a stable,
and in an empty tomb.
May God hear these prayers,
which come from the unlikely corners of our lives.
Give us ears to hear, O God,
and eyes to watch, that we may know your presence in our midst
during this holy season of joy
as we anticipate the coming of Jesus Christ.
Amen.

OFFERING

OFFERING INVITATION **CHAPLAIN DAN**

Our electronic giving platform is Tithe.ly: Link to Tithe.ly

Please place in-person offerings in the gold offeringplace on the table by the door.

Checks can be mailed to:
First Congregational United Church of Christ
PO Box 980413, Ypsilanti, MI 48198

Thank you for your generosity!

OFFERTORY **"Brethren, We Have Met to Worship"** **VISHNU SRINIVAS**
By William Moore, Arr Cindy Berry

DOXOLOGY *Microphone muted **TIFFANIE WALDRON**
"Jesus, Jesus, Oh What a Wonderful Child"
136 NCH

PRAYER OF DEDICATION *Unison with Microphone muted **TAD WYSOR**

Take our gifts, God. Receive our whole selves, body, mind, and spirit. Bless and sanctify our gifts for your work. Bless our church with your hope. Amen.

DEPARTING WITH PRAISE

CLOSING HYMN *Microphone muted *Standing optional **TIFFANIE WALDRON**
"Awake, Awake and Great the New Morn
107 NCH

BENEDICTION *Unison **CHAPLAIN DAN**

Send us God. Show us your way.
Lead our steps. Guide our hearts.
Renew our minds. Prepare us for Hope.
Open us to your Holy Spirit.
Create a way in our families, a way in our church, a way in our community.
Refresh and renew our world.
So be it!
Amen.

POSTLUDE Please remain seated **VISHNU SRINIVAS**

"Holy God, We Praise Thy Name"
From *Katholisches Gesangbuch,* Arr Cindy Berry

PASSING THE PEACE **FRIENDS GATHERED**

*****Save Zoom Recording to Cloud (click "yes")

- Share a greeting with others as we transition to our casual **Friendship Time.**

Zoom Only Sunday Worship 10:00 am

Rev. Liz Larrivee, Pastor & Spiritual Director
Tiffanie Waldron, Music Director
Vishnu Sri, Accompanist

Rev. Dan Kidder-McQuown, Guest Preacher

Jenn Zibbell, MID Ministry Intern
Tad Wysor, Worship Leader/Greeter
Marty Kleino, Usher & Bell Ringer

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ANNOUNCEMENTS

For pastoral care needs and/or emergencies, please call or text Pastor Liz, 734-358-6108

Worship Next Week: **Worship Leader Patty Sherwood; Greeters, Tad Wysor** (Roomie) **and Ellie Gusman** (Zoomie).

Advent Has Begun!!! We are preparing for the fast-approaching arrival of Jesus, Christmastide, and the new liturgical year. The Advent Planning Team is working on some creative, exciting things to bring joy to this Christmas season.

- **Christmas Eve Lessons and Carols Candle Lighting Service, *Come and See,*** will be hybrid (in-person and on zoom) 7:00 pm. We need several readers for this service. If you would like to read one of the lessons, let Margaret Harner know (text/phone 734-417-6532).
- **There will be no service on Sunday, Christmas Day.**
- **January 1st, Zoom only, *The Gospel According to Sheep.*** We will all be participating as sheep. Thank you to Jeanette Sherrill for taking the lead in putting this special, creative service together. Stay tuned for details!

***What's Left of the Night*, 2022 Advent-Christmastide Devotional,** is available NOW in pdf format. Please sign-up for a copy at the table by the entry door, or contact Margaret Harner by phone or txt at 734-417-6532. It is lovely daily devotionals for written by writers of the Stillspeaking Writers' Group.

Community Discernment Gathering This Week, Monday, December 5th, 7:00 pm:

Community Discernment Gathering resumes tomorrow, Monday, December 5 at 7:00 pm. Homework includes thinking about the question "What makes us a church?" (vs. Wanother type of non-profit, community organization, club, or volunteer group). We will be reviewing our most recent "Mission Statement(s)" as a launch point for our discussion. Thanks to all who are contributing their time, talents, and love to gathering weekly as we listen for the Holy Spirit's still speaking voice calling us toward our shared future ministry together.

Stewardship Campaign - Bread and Cup to Faith and Giving: The importance and significance of the Communion Elements within our faith journey are foundational. The actions we take to respond to our **faith and giving** are just as important and foundational for our church life, our Spiritual life. Faith and giving are woven into our history and our future. Please faithfully consider your generous commitment to this worship community for the coming year. We will be celebrating Stewardship Sunday, December 4, 2022. We ask you to send your pledge for our Stewardship drive to-

Anne Marie Nicoll-Turner. amnicollturner@gmail.com

The pledge card is on the last page of this bulletin, following the hymns.

Florida Fruit Drive Continues: You can make a difference! Your purchases support Florida's economic recovery from Hurricane Ian AND our church's local Washtenaw County ministries and social justice work. We are again partnering with Indian River Groves in Florida to provide citrus products. This is an annual fund raiser for Ypsilanti First

Congregational UCC. **If you would like a reminder list of those people you sold to last year, please let Ivan know; txt him at 734-417-6531, or email ivanharner@gmail.com.**

We have found the fruit to be excellent and the company very responsive, and cooperative to work with. Share this information with friends and family. Please help us meet our fund-raising goals! This makes a perfect gift for the holiday season.

Orders must be placed by December 11 to be received before Christmas!

Use the link below to make your order

www.floridaindianrivergroves.com/ecommerce/1017616

or go to our web site www.ypsiucc.org

Thank you for your support of the Ypsilanti First Congregational UCC.

Giving Tree 2022

The Giving Tree is a wonderful opportunity to provide Christmas cheer to children in our church family as well as WICIR (Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights) families at Christmas time. Here is how you can participate.

Roomies, choose an ornament and purchase a gift certificate for $30 from Meijer listed on the ornament.

Please return your gift certificate to Margaret Harner or Patty Sherwood no later than December 4th.

Zoomies, make a Tithely donation of $30 and we will purchase the gift certificate. Mark the donation as Giving Tree. Please complete your purchase no later than December 4th. You can also send a check to the church and note Giving Tree.

This ministry has continued for several decades and has brought cheer of the season to many young people.

OUR CHURCH'S MINISTRIES

HOLY GROUNDS

During the Omicron (COVID) surge members of Ypsi UCC provided local coffee, tea, coffee cups, and single packaged snacks for the night shift at Trinity Health St. Joe Mercy Hospital where Rev. Dan Kidder-McQuown is the night chaplain. While the COVID crisis has partially resolved, the stress level of the night staff has not. Contributing factors include the long-term emerging effects of COVID, a lack of staff, a nation-wide nurse shortage, and staff burnout. The night shift greatly appreciates this ministry of hospitality and caring.

Please consider donating coffee that is roasted by local Michigan companies. Tea and single packaged candy or snacks are also welcome. Please contact Marty Kleino at Mgkleino@gmail.com or 734-262-1419 to have your donation delivered to St. Joes. If you would like more information about this ministry, please contact Dan Kidder-McQuown at mcq188@gmail.com or 517-240-8413.

THE BEACON CENTER

The **Beacon Center** is the newest community social justice of the Ypsilanti First Congregational UCC. As a light to all persons, the Beacon Center's ministry will support the spiritual formation, creative expression, overall thriving and advocacy of at-risk students of all ages, including those affiliated with three primary local institutions of higher learning: Eastern Michigan University, Washtenaw Community College and University of Michigan. In the Spirit of the UCC moto, "That They All Shall Be One", Beacon Center serves as a uniting and unifying umbrella across our congregation serving persons sources through our three other community social justice ministry networks. Those ministries (each detailed below) include WICIR (Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights) serving the immigrant communities, MI-ONA (Michigan Open and Affirming Coalition) serving LGTBQ+ persons, and WeROC (Washtenaw Regional Organizing Coalition) which brings together faith, labor and community organizations to address local issues.

The Beacon Center is committed to advocate for self-determination and education for all people, especially students living in poverty, persons of color experiencing racism, and other de-humanizing circumstances and conditions. Beacon Center's student demographics include persons of color, immigrants, minorities, LGTBQ+ folk, women, those with special needs, the economically disadvantaged, those facing housing insecurity, the financially challenged, and the working poor. For additional information on the Beacon Center, please contact Rev. Liz Larrivee at lizlarrivee@gmail.com

IMMIGRATION MINISTRY – WASHTENAW INTERFAITH COALITION FOR IMMIGRANT RIGHTS (WICIR)

Since 2008, **WICIR** has been working with, and in support of, immigrants in Washtenaw County facing challenges of many kinds. At our inception the primary need that brought us together was to support people facing enforcement action by ICE (Immigration and Customs Enforcement); most often detention, deportation, and removal. To date, WICIR has responded to 650 calls. Always in partnership with folks most affected, many actions and services have evolved as identified by our immigrant siblings, while always keeping focused on our original mission:

To provide culturally sensitive and supportive urgent response to those in Washtenaw County in immigration-related crises; impact local governmental policies to empower and protect immigrant community members; and work toward humane national immigration reform.

Our outreach has been significantly impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic. Many in immigrant communities have experienced significant challenges as they struggle to pay rent, provide food for their families and other basic survival needs. To respond, WICIR, in partnership with Mexiquenses in Michigan (from St. Francis of Assisi Parish), has raised and distributed $200,000 relief funds to immigrants and their families. We have a waiting list of those still in need and will continue this effort as funds are available.

For information about what's happening with immigrant rights and **Washtenaw Interfaith Coalition for Immigrant Rights**, or if you are interested in learning ways to help, please contact Melanie Harner at melharner@gmail.com or through the WICIR website: https://wicir.org/. You can also find a link on the church website.

WASHTENAW REGIONAL ORGANIZING COALITION

First Congregational is a founding institution of the local "organization of organizations" **WeROC (Washtenaw Regional Organizing Coalition)**. In many ways, WeROC is a larger illustration of the values and mission we try to live out at First Congregational. WeROC members are, at our core, focused on intentionally re-weaving the frayed fabric of community at a time when forces are at work every day to keep us fragmented, suspicious of each other, feeling isolated. Especially in this time when so many are being hit by the health and economic crises, WeROC's focus on raising voices of those most affected is more important than ever (See COVID-19 Resources at www.werocmi.org) WeROC's Mission Statement is:

WeROC brings together faith, labor, community organizations, and individuals to build the healthy collective power needed to break down the systems that sustain injustice, racism, and economic inequality.

WeROC is affiliated with the Detroit Metro organization MOSES and the Gamliel National Network. Contact Tad Wysor at tadwysor@gmail.com or 734-883-3225.

This past election year showed us good things can happen when we're working together in the same direction. WeROC is moving rapidly **forward** to keep momentum going and find ways to continue to be more effective together in making our communities healthier and more vibrant places; improving the lives of *everyone* in big ways-- especially those who are most vulnerable and whose voice have seldom been heard.

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Longing for light

CHRIST, BE OUR LIGHT 98. 96 with refrain

Em Am7 Bm7 Esus Em
1 Long - ing for light, we wait in dark - ness. Long - ing for
2 Long - ing for peace, our world is trou - bled. Long - ing for
3 Long - ing for food, man - y are hun - gry. Long - ing for
4 Long - ing for shel - ter, man - y are home - less. Long - ing for
5 Man - y the gifts, man - y the peo - ple, man - y the
Am7 Bm7 Esus Em Am7
truth, we turn to you. Make us your own,
hope, man - y de - spair. Your word a - lone
wa - ter, man - y still thirst. Make us your bread,
warmth, man - y are cold. Make us your build - ing,
hearts that yearn to be - long. Let us be ser - vants
D G C Am Dsus D
your ho - ly peo - ple, light for the world to see.
has pow'r to save us. Make us your liv - ing voice.
bro - ken for oth - ers, shared un - til all are fed.
shel - ter - ing oth - ers, walls made of liv - ing stone.
to one an - oth - er, mak - ing your kin - dom come.

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Music: Bernadette Farrell

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G C G Em Bm Em
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the
Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Am7 D G Dsus D Em Em7/D
dark - - - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
Shine through the dark - ness. Christ, be our light! Shine in your
C Am7 D G Am7/G
1-4 G
Final G
church gath - ered to - day.
church gath - ered to - day.
1-4
Final

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112 Keep Awake, Be Always Ready

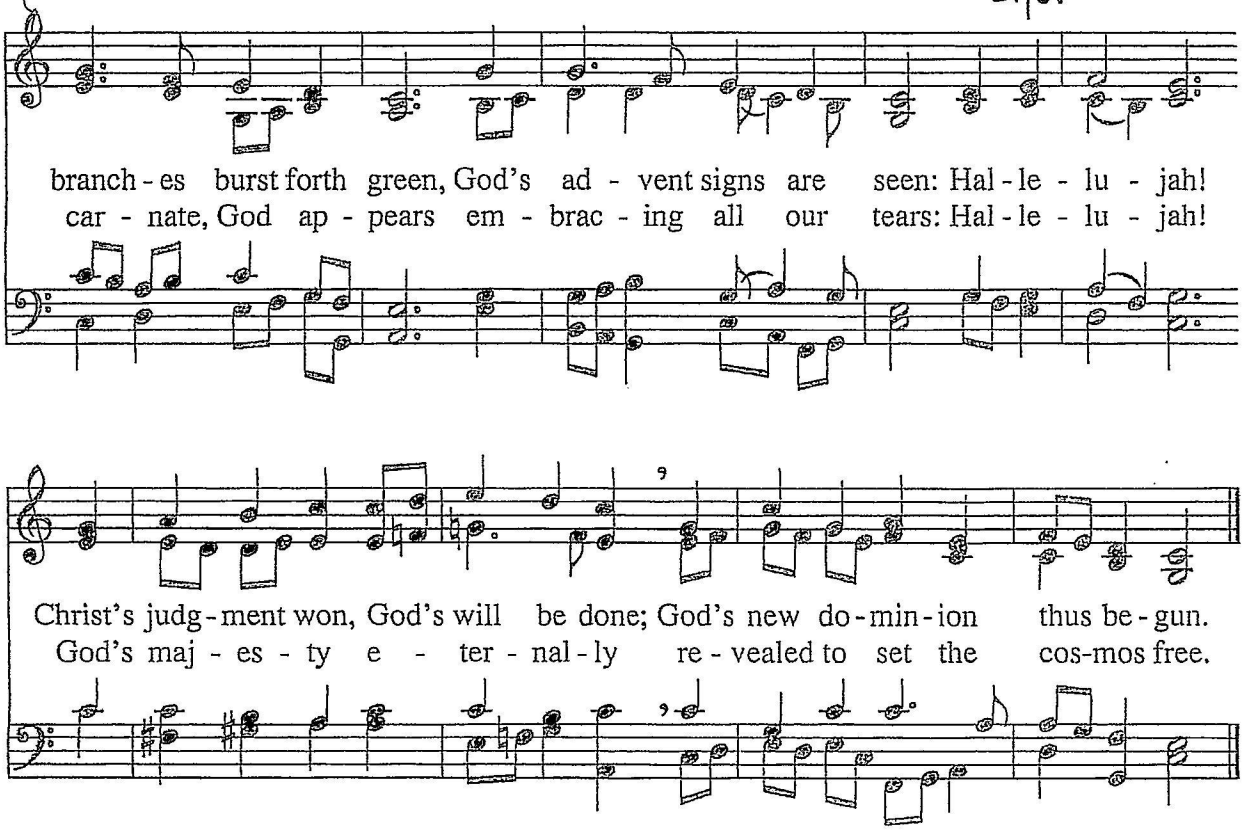
Isa. 2:1–5; 60:1–3; 64:1–9; Matt. 24:36–44; Rom. 13:11–14; 1 Cor. 1:3–9; 1 Thess. 3:9–13

Arthur G. Clyde, 1993

1 Keep a-wake, be al - ways rea - dy, God's time ap - proach-es
2 Rise and shine for One is com - ing whose love will quench all
sure and stea - dy, God's strength will keep your heart from blame.
na - ture's thirst - ing to be made whole for - ev - er more.
Clouds, the Spir - it's light con - ceal - ing, dis - perse, God's pur - est
On that day to end all weep - ing, death's swords trans - formed to
light re - veal - ing; cre - a - tion will its Sov-ereign name. Dry
tools of reap - ing, the God of might will mer - cy pour. In -

This new text, written to reflect the readings for the first Sunday in Advent, is set to a traditional tune of the season by sixteenth-century Lutheran pastor Philipp Nicolai.

Tune: WACHET AUF 8.9.8.8.9.8.6.6.4.8.8.
Philipp Nicolai, 1599
Harm. J. S. Bach, 1731


branch - es burst forth green, God's ad - vent signs are seen: Hal - le - lu - jah!
car - nate, God ap - pears em - brac - ing all our tears: Hal - le - lu - jah!
Christ's judg - ment won, God's will be done; God's new do - min - ion thus be - gun.
God's maj - es - ty e - ter - nal - ly re - vealed to set the cos-mos free.

112 Keep Awake, Be Always Ready

Arthur G. Clyde (b. 1940) wrote this text in 1993 after finding no appropriate hymn using the newly revised lectionary readings for the first Sunday in Advent. He was inspired by the hymn "Wake, Awake" and wanted to maintain the flavor of that older text and its traditional tune.

Arthur G. Clyde served as music director at Zwingli United Church of Christ in Souderton, Pennsylvania, for twenty years. Subsequently he was editor of *The New Century Hymnal* (1995); he now leads workshops and develops educational resources on music and worship for the United Church of Christ.

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120 There's a Voice in the Wilderness

Isa. 40:3–11; Ps. 103:15–17

J. Lewis Milligan, 1925; alt.

1 There's a voice in the wil - der - ness cry - ing, a
2 O Zi - on, who of - fers good tid - ings, to the
3 But the word of our God is for - ev - er, our De -
call from the ways un - trod: Pre - pare in the des - ert a
height of the moun-tains dare! Lift your voice to the cit - ies of
fend - er's will is strong; God stands in the midst of
high - way, a high - way for our God! The
Ju - dah: "Be - hold your God!" de - clare. Like the
na - tions, to ren - der right the wrong. Then

Before moving to Canada, J. Lewis Milligan was a successful British journalist and poet. This text was written in 1925 to celebrate the union of three churches into The United Church of Canada, a body he served as public relations director.

Tune: ASCENSION Irr.
H. Hugh Bancroft, 1938

val - leys shall be ex - alt - ed, the loft - y hills brought
flowers of the field we per - ish, our hu - man works de -
God shall be as a shep-herd, the lambs gath-ered to God's
low: make plain: all the crook - ed pla - ces
cay, the power and pomp of na - tions
breast; and pas - tures of peace shall greet them,
where Em - man - u - el may go!
shall pass like a dream a - way.
to give to the wea - ry rest.

Jesus, Jesus, Oh, What a Wonderful Child 136

African-American traditional; alt. *Luke 1:30–35; 2:8–14*

Je-sus, Je-sus, oh, what a won-der-ful child.
Je-sus, Je-sus, so ho-ly, meek, and mild; new
life, new hope the Child will bring. Lis-ten to the
an-gels sing, "Glo-ry, glo-ry, glo - ry," let the heav-ens ring!

This gospel song praising the newborn Child might be effectively used by repeating it several times. It could be sung softly as a background for dance, story, or drama. Finger-snaps on the off-beats might be used to fill the rests.

Tune: WONDERFUL CHILD 11.10.8.7.11.
African-American traditional
Arr. Jeffrey Radford, 1992

Jeffrey Paul Radford, was music director for 36 years at Trinity United Church of Christ in Chicago. Under his direction, the Trinity choirs sang throughout Chicago, in a dozen U.S. cities and performed in Switzerland, Germany, Puerto Rico and Cuba. In 1995 he was part of the team that created the UCC New Century Hymnal, with inclusive language and widened the inclusion of new hymns and hymns from around the world. He was instrumental in creating the UCC African American Hymnal.

Mr. Radford's father, a jazz musician, encouraged his son's musical interest. By age 10, Mr. Radford was studying piano. He was an adjunct faculty member at Chicago Theological Seminary and, after his death in 2002, he received a posthumous doctor of divinity degree from CTS for his contributions to musical ministry.

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107 Awake! Awake, and Greet the New Morn

Isa. 12:6; 26:9; 35:6; Matt. 11:5

Marty Haugen, 1983; rev. 1993

G Am7 G/B C D
1 A - wake! a - wake, and greet the new morn, for
2 To us, to all in sor - row and fear, Em -
3 In deep - est night Christ's com - ing shall be, when
4 Re - joice, re - joice, take heart in the night, though
G/B C Am7 D7 G Am7
an - gels her - ald its dawn - ing, sing out your joy, for
man - u - el comes a - sing - ing, whose hum - ble song is
all the world is de - spair - ing, as morn - ing light so
cold the win - ter and cheer - less, the ris - ing sun shall
G/B C D G/B Am7 D C G
Je - sus is born, be - hold! the Child of our long - ing.
qui - et and near, yet fills the earth with its ring - ing.
qui - et and free, so warm and gen - tle and car - ing.
crown you with light, be strong and lov - ing and fear - less;

Liturgical composer Marty Haugen wrote both words and music for this Advent hymn with the twofold aim of providing an easy congregational chorale and utilizing the images of the Isaiah passages.

Tune: REJOICE, REJOICE 9.8.9.8.8.7.8.9.
Marty Haugen, 1983

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D D/F♯ G D Em Am D
Come as a ba - by weak and poor, to bring all hearts to -
Mu - sic to heal the bro - ken soul and hymns of lov - ing
One with-out voice breaks forth in song, a lame one leaps in
Love be our song and love our prayer, and love, our end - less
Em D7 G C B7 Em
geth - er, to o - pen wide the heaven - ly door, and
kind - ness, the thun - der of the an - thems roll to
won - der, the weak are raised a - bove the strong, and
sto - ry, may God fill ev - ery day we share, and
Am7 D7 G G/B C G/B C G
1–3
4
lives now in-side us for ev - er. . . .
shat - ter all hate and in - jus - tice. . . .
weap-ons are bro-ken a - sun - der. . . .
bring us at last in - to glo - ry. . . . . .

For CHURCH RECORDS

Envelope # _____ (for office use)

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

I plan to give beginning _____ (date and year) each ☐ week ☐ month

	Annual Total
For our congregation's ministries	$ _____ $ _____

I understand that this commitment can be changed at any time by giving notice to the appropriate church officer.

☐ I would like to talk with someone about including the church or church-related institution in my will.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

From BREAD and CUP to FAITH and GIVING

For YOUR RECORDS

Date: _____

With others in my congregation, I commit myself to give in proportion to what I have for the ministries of the church and the proclamation of the good news of Jesus Christ.

I plan to give beginning _____ (date and year)

Each ☐ week ☐ month

	Annual Total
For our congregation's ministries	$_____ $_____